



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

W J KEENAN HIGH
Richland 1
Grades: 9-12 **Enrollment: 771**
Principal: Mr. Alvin Pressley
Superintendent: Dr. Percy A. Mack
Board Chair: Dwayne Smiling

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Average	Excellent	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2009	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	3	17	7	6

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
Passed 2 subtests (%)	71.1%	67.6%	68.7%	65.6%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	15.5%	19.6%	16.6%	19.0%
Passed no subtests (%)	13.4%	12.7%	15.1%	15.3%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2011

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	87.1%	83.8%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

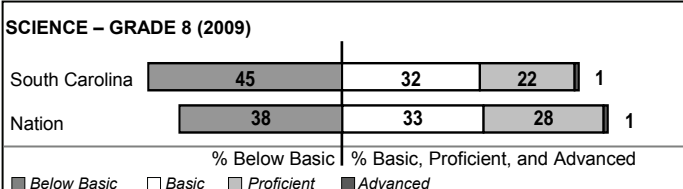
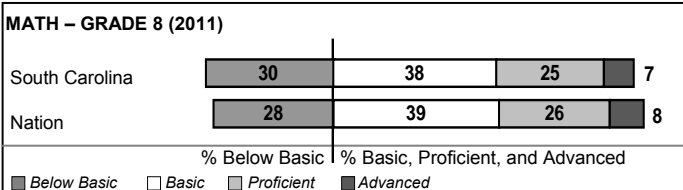
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	185	182
Number of Diplomas	137	129
Rate (%)	74.1%	71.3%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	71.0	64.9
English 1	50.8	50.9
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	40.1	49.6
Physical Science	66.7	41.4
US History and the Constitution	35.1	30.9
All Tests	49.3	47.1

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=771)				
Retention rate	7.0%	Up from 5.0%	4.8%	3.4%
Attendance rate	97.6%	Up from 92.7%	95.0%	95.0%
Served by gifted and talented program	15.5%	Down from 16.5%	7.6%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	9.6%	Down from 12.2%	12.2%	9.9%
Older than usual for grade	9.7%	Down from 11.1%	9.8%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 4.0%	0.7%	0.9%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	21.8%	Down from 24.3%	6.6%	13.0%
Successful on AP/IB exams	6.2%	Down from 8.6%	18.7%	51.7%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	29.8%	Up from 24.6%	27.5%	30.1%
Annual dropout rate	3.8%	Down from 4.5%	2.3%	2.5%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	Down from 4.1%	5.4%	2.9%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	451	Up from 411	331	419
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	67.4%	Up from 62.9%	77.6%	83.0%
Teachers (n=48)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	77.1%	Up from 72.4%	59.1%	61.1%
Continuing contract teachers	87.5%	Up from 75.9%	73.3%	80.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	83.8%	Down from 88.5%	83.0%	86.5%
Teacher attendance rate	94.4%	Down from 94.6%	95.1%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,709	Down 4.0%	\$45,233	\$46,884
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.9%	Down from 2.7%	3.3%	2.2%
Professional development days/teacher	9.9 days	Up from 8.9 days	9.9 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.6 to 1	Down from 28.9 to 1	23.6 to 1	26.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.6%	Up from 86.1%	88.6%	89.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,903	Up 1.1%	\$8,743	\$7,804
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	61.3%	Up from 59.2%	56.8%	58.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	64.9%	Up from 64.0%	59.9%	60.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	97.1%	Down from 100.0%	96.8%	97.3%
Character development program	Good	Up from Average	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met	46.2%	Down from 76.9%	53.8%	65.2%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	26	145	37
Percent satisfied with learning environment	80.0%	71.7%	75.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	96.2%	79.0%	85.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	56.0%	80.1%	85.3%

*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

W. J. Keenan High School has experienced a productive and exciting school year! Keenan students achieved the highest EOCEP (End-of-Course) tests scores in math, science, and US History than any other previous class. Our goals for the 2010-2011 school year will be to continue to increase student achievement. We will focus on continuing to make gains on all standardized tests such as HSAP, SAT, ACT, and EOCEP. Additionally, we will focus on improving the graduation rate, attendance rate, and retention rates at each grade level. Our theme will remain; "Together We Can, Together We Will!" With the commitment of the faculty, staff, students, parents, and community we will work toward constant improvement in all areas. We are working together supporting a vision that "Every Student Will Succeed!" Keenan continues to pursue and establish community and post-secondary partnerships that will assist our students. We will continue our partnerships with the University of South Carolina and Midlands Technical College. We are expanding our post-secondary partnerships to include Allen University in the advancement of all STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) areas. In addition, Keenan has formed a community partnership with I. DeQuincy Newman United Methodist Church.

W. J. Keenan is a High Schools That Work (HSTW) site. All teachers are trained in the utilization of "best practices" to increase the academic success of each student. Areas of focus include literacy, development of senior projects, data driven decisions, career and technical training. During 2010-2011 we implemented College Summit to improve post-secondary education opportunities and preparation of our seniors. Additionally, we are a PBIS (Positive Behavior and Intervention Strategy) school developing strategies to recognize students for their positive behavior and achievements. All teachers are assigned to PLT (Professional Learning Teams) to develop instructional strategies to better serve our students. We believe in utilizing the most appropriate teaching strategies and infusing technology into the curriculum to capture and inspire our students.

Keenan has been recognized for the following: 2010-2011 Palmetto Silver Award by the state of South Carolina for making substantial progress in closing the achievement gap; 1st place state Odyssey of the Mind winner; A senior was a National Merit Achievement Scholarship Awardee; Army ROTC has maintained honor unit of distinction rating; Keenan's Raider "Rubber" Band received an invitation to represent the state of South Carolina in the Independence Day Parade in Washington, D.C.; W. J. Keenan won the region titles in volleyball and boys basketball; Keenan boys basketball were crowned the 2010-2011 state champions for the second consecutive year. Additional past accomplishments were 2004-05 Palmetto's Finest, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2008-09 Palmetto Gold Award recipient and met Adequate Yearly Progress in 2005 and 2008. We are proud of all of the accomplishments we have achieved and will continue to work hard every day to reach higher levels of success.

Alvin D. Pressley, Principal
James Starnes, School Improvement Chairperson

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